

REMARKS

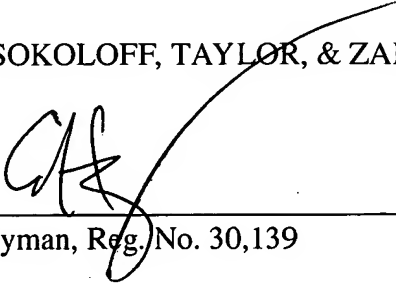
In the above-noted Office Action, claim 1 is rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as obvious over Applicant's Prior Art in view of Bhalla et al. However, the Examiner has indicated Claims 2-6 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. In response, Claim 2 has been amended to incorporate the limitations of Claim 1 which has been canceled. Claims 7-14 were previously cancelled.

In view of the foregoing, it is believed that all claims now pending, namely Claims 2-6 are in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited at the earliest possible date. If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge those fees to our Deposit Account No. 02-2666. If a telephone interview would expedite the prosecution of this Application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (310) 207-3800.

Respectfully submitted,

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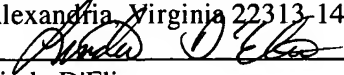
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